

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please rewrite Claim 31 as follows:

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Claim 31 (Amended). A feed metering device for providing feed in measured portions to an animal which comprises a feed unit for containing said feed, an entrance opening to said feed unit, a feed supplying device for providing feed to said feed unit, and weighing means for measuring the weight of feed which is contained in said feed unit, said feed unit being connected to said feed <sup>supporting</sup> device by angular displacement means which comprises at least in part said weighing means.

Please add the following claims:

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Claim 62. A feed metering device for providing feed in measured portions to an animal which comprises a feed unit for containing said feed, an entrance opening to said feed unit, a feed supplying device for providing feed to said feed unit, weighing means for weighing the feed in said feed unit, said feed unit being connected to said feed supplying device by angular displacement means which comprise at least part of said weighing means, and an animal identification device for recognizing a particular animal that proceeds to said feed unit.

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Claim 63. A feed metering device in accordance with Claim 62, wherein said animal identification device provides data to said feed supplying device, said feed supplying device supplying an amount of feed to said feed unit based on data from said animal identification device.

Claim 64. A feed metering device in accordance with Claim 63, wherein said weighing means provides data to said feed supplying device, the amount of feed provided by said feed supplying device to said feed unit being based on data both from said animal identification device and said weighing means.

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Claim 65. A feed metering device for providing feed in measured proportions to an animal which comprises a feed unit for containing said feed, an entrance opening to said feed unit, a feed supplying device for providing feed to said unit, and weighing means for weighing the feed in said feed unit, said feed unit being connected to said feed supplying device by angular displacement means which comprise at least in part said weighing means, said angular displacement means comprising a measuring roll which is in contact with said feed unit.

Claim 66. A feed metering device for providing feed in measured portions to an animal which comprises a feed unit for containing said feed, an entrance opening to said feed unit, a feed supplying device for providing feed to said feed unit, a safety supporting bracket for said feed unit, and weighing means for weighing the feed in said feed unit, said feed unit being connected to said feed supplying device by angular displacement means which comprise at least in part said weighing means.

Claim 67. A feed metering device for providing feed in measured portions to an animal which comprises a feed unit for containing said feed, an entrance opening to said feed unit, a feed supplying device for providing feed to said feed unit, weighing means for weighing the feed in said feed unit, said feed unit being connected to said feed supplying device by angular displacement means which comprise at least in part said weighing means, and animal identification means for identifying an animal to be deterred from appearing at said feed unit and taking feed therefrom, the feed metering device further comprising deterring means for deterring animal that appears at said feed unit from taking feed therefrom.

Claim 68. A feed metering device in accordance with Claim 67, wherein said deterring means receives data from said animal identification *means* device for deterring selected animals identified by said animal identification *means* device from taking feed from said feed unit.

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Claim 69. A feed metering device for providing feed in measured portions to an animal which comprises a feed unit for containing said feed, an entrance opening to said feed unit, a feed supplying device for providing feed to said feed unit, weighing means for weighing the feed in said feed unit, said feed unit being connected to said feed supplying device by angular displacement means which comprise at least in part said weighing means, and an animal identification device and deterring means for deterring an animal from taking feed from said feed unit, said deterring means being at least partially integrated with said animal identification device.

Claim 70. A feed metering device in accordance with Claim 69, wherein said deterring means comprises a loudspeaker that produces an animal-frightening sound.

Claim 71. A feed metering device in accordance with Claim 69, wherein said deterring means comprises a lighting device that emits an animal-frightening light.

Claim 72. A feed metering device in accordance with Claim 62, wherein said feed unit bears on said animal identification device by means of a roll.

Claim 73. A feed metering device for providing feed in measured portions to an animal which comprises a feed unit for containing said feed, an entrance opening to said feed unit, a feed supplying device for providing feed to said feed unit, weighing means for weighing the feed in said feed unit, said feed unit being connected to said feed supplying device by angular displacement means which comprise at least in part said weighing means, and an animal identification device which is disposed in a vicinity below said entrance opening.

Claim 74. A feed metering device for providing feed in measured portions to an animal which comprises a feed unit for containing said feed, an entrance opening to said feed unit, a feed supplying device for providing feed to said feed unit, weighing means for weighing the feed